

In order to be fully responsive, applicants hereby provisionally elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-18 and 42-49, with traversal. The reasons for the traversal are substantially as set forth in applicants' Response to Election Requirement filed on August 26, 2002.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the Restriction Requirement Under 35 U.S.C. § 121 be withdrawn and the instant claims be examined in one application. It is respectfully requested that the above-made remarks be entered and made of record in the file history of the instant application.

December 1, 2002 falling on a Sunday, the response is due Monday, December 2, 2002. Accordingly, no fee is believed due for this submission. Should any fees be required, please charge such fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit account No. 16-1150.

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Respectfully submitted,

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